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AMENDMENT

Sir:

The Office Action mailed on **July 1, 2008** has been carefully considered. In response thereto, the Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks as set forth herein below:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include two (2) replacement sheets.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

All amendments and remarks made herein are without prejudice.